

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
(Case No. 06-351-US)

In the Application of:	)	
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Beckman	)	Art Unit: 1797
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Serial No.: 10/527,374	)	
	)	Examiner: Manoharan, Virginia
Filed: March 10, 2005	)	
	)	Confirmation No.: 5724
For: Method and Apparatus for	)	
Simultaneous Heat and Mass	)	
Transfer Utilizing a Carrier Gas	)	

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED JULY 2, 2008**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 2, 2008, Applicant herewith elects the invention of Group II, claims 12-20 drawn to a continuous contacting apparatus for exchanging heat released by a desiccant. A fee of \$555 is believed to be due in connection with this response. Please charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account, No. 13-2490. If there are any questions regarding this response, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned attorney at (312) 913-2106.

Respectfully submitted,  
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